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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, SP

SUBJ: US-SPANISH LIAISON EXCHANGE

REF: A. MADRID 7077 AND 7176

B. JUSMG/MAAG MADRID 111630Z NOV 74

1. OF SPANISH OFFICERS LISTED REF B, FOLLOWING ARE  
MILITARY MEMBERS OF SPANISH TEAM NEGOTIATING RENEWAL OF 1970  
SPANISH-AMERICAN AGREEMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION:

M/GEN CARLOS DOLZ DE ESPEJO Y GONZALEZ

B/GEN RAFAEL GUIMERA

CAPTAIN LUIS TORRES CAPLANNE

2. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOUR OFFICERS DEALING WITH OUR  
SPANISH VISITORS, AND IN PARTICULAR WITH THE ABOVE  
MENTIONED, COULD BE ALERT FOR ANY SPECIAL INSIGHTS EMANATING  
FROM CONVERSATIONS HELD IN THE COURSE OF THE VISIT (ALL THREE  
OFFICERS SPEAK REASONABLE GOOD ENGLISH). MADRID REFTELS MIGHT  
SERVE AS FRAME OF REFERENCE. IN ADDITION, IT MIGHT BE USEFUL  
TO POINT OUT THAT WE ARE EXPERIENCING WHAT APPEARS TO BE A  
WELL-ORCHESTRATED PARTY LINE ECHOED BY SPANIS MILITARY OFFICERS  
IN GENERAL THAT

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A. CURRENT AGREEMENT FOCUSSES ON SYSTEM OF BASES FOR WHICH SPANISH ARE BEING PAID AND DOES NOT SERVE SPANISH DESIRES FOR REAL COOPERATION IN DEFENSE;

B. THAT SECURITY GUARANTEE IS INDISPENSIBLE TO NEW AGREEMENT; AND

C. THAT SPAIN HAS NO INTEREST IN NATO MEMBERSHIP AT THIS TIME BUT IS INTERESTED IN A DEFINITE ROLE LINKED TO WESTERN DEFENSE ARRANGEMENTS.

3. WHILE ESCHEWING ANY DIRECT APPROACH ON ANY OF THESE MATTERS, US OFFICERS INVOLVED IN THE VISIT SHOULD NEVERTHELESS BE ALERT FOR SIGNIFICANT COMMENTS REFLECTING PERSONAL VIEWS AND ATTITUDES ON THE PART OF OUR VISITORS, AS DISTINGUISHED FROM THEIR EFFORTS TO REFLECT THE OFFICIAL SPANISH LINE. WE SHOULD BE IN GENERAL TAKE THE LINE THAT MUTUAL DEFENSE ENTAILS MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND EACH PARTY CONTRIBUTES ACCORDING TO ITS CAPABILITIES AND ITS RESOURCES. THE USE OF SPANISH BASES (WHICH WE BUILT AND GAVE TO THEM) BY CERTAIN U.S. FORCES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN THIS CONTEXT, AS IT IS IN GERMANY.

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